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Appellant: Michael Charles Raufman et al.  
Application No: 10/664,373  
Hearing Room: A  
Hearing Docket: A  
Hearing Date: Tuesday, September 09, 2008  
Hearing Time: 09:00 AM  
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Inventor(s) : Michael C. Raufman, et al.  
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This paper is filed in reply to a Notice of Hearing mailed on July 30, 2008 for the above-referenced case (attached hereto). The hearing is currently scheduled for Tuesday, September 9, 2008.

Attorney of record, Charles R. Matson (Reg. No. 52,006), has a conflict with the hearing date, because of the impending birth of his child due in September 2008.

Because of Mr. Matson's familiarity with the present case and professional interest in presenting to the Board, a postponement and rescheduling of the hearing to a later date is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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